

## DEMOCRATS WANT GRADUATED TAX



PHILIP E. MANUEL  
Accuses Retired General

### Former Military Police Chief Facing Charges Of Corruption

WASHINGTON (AP) — Maj. Gen. Carl C. Turner testified today the police chiefs of Chicago and Kansas City knew the more than 500 confiscated weapons turned over to him were for his personal use and not the Army.

Witnesses had told the Senate investigations subcommittee that the former provost marshal general of the Army had signed a receipt saying the guns were for Army training. They said Turner sold some of the guns.

The retired general, saying he had lost all his gun records, hit the witness table with karate-like chops of his hand as he testified.

"Those weapons were not for the use of the Army. They were going to destroy them and they gave them to me personally."

**CONFRONTATION**

Turner, 56, was confronted with Chicago police Lt. Paul Duellman who testified the general signed a receipt in his presence on four occasions stating the 397 weapons he got were to be used for Army training and to be destroyed when no longer of use to the military.

Turner said he had been assured by Chicago Police Superintendent James Conlist he could have the guns with no strings attached.

"I do not recall any statement

of that type being made in my presence—no, sir," Duellman testified.

Sen. Abraham Ribicoff, D-Conn., acting chairman of the subcommittee, ordered that Conlist be requested to appear and clear up the matter.

The hearing room was full and dozens of persons stood in the rear of the room as Turner said he cannot account for all the weapons he received from the two police departments and from Fort Worth, Tex., because his record book could not be found.

Turner, who was appointed chief U.S. marshal after his 33-year military career, resigned

abruptly early last month from the new Justice Department job.

**TOOK IN WEAPONS**

A subcommittee investigator testified Monday that Turner persuaded police chiefs in Chicago and Kansas City to give him hundreds of confiscated rifles, shotguns and handguns.

The investigator said many of the guns—some of which turned up in an illegal five-ton cache of weapons being sent to rebels in Haiti—were sold by Turner for private gain, even though the officer had signed receipts stating they were to be used for Army training.

Witnesses last week accused

Turner of a coverup and a "god-damn fix" for allegedly blocking investigation into the affairs of Sergeant Major of the Army William O. Woodbridge.

The subcommittee has heard allegations Woodbridge was leader of a clique of sergeants who systematically looted the funds, equipment, food and liquor of the noncommissioned officers clubs they ran in Germany, South Vietnam and the United States.

Woodbridge, no longer the Army's top enlisted man, recently was named sergeant major at White Sands Missile base.

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GEN. CARL TURNER  
Retired Provost Marshal

### Unveil Plan In Answer To Milliken

#### Would Retain State Board Of Education

LANSING (AP) — Democratic legislative leaders have proposed a graduated state income tax and preservation of the State Board of Education as parts of their counterproposal to Gov. William G. Milliken's education reform plan.

House Speaker William A. Ryan, Detroit, and Senate Minority Leader Sander Levin, from Berkley, said Monday they have written Milliken to state "our strong feeling about a graduated tax."

"It has been the position of the Democratic Party that an ability-to-pay income tax means a graduated tax," they said in a letter to Milliken.

And in the wake of the sudden resignation of Dr. Ira Polley from the state public schools superintendency, Ryan and Levin proposed revising the size of the present eight-member state board rather than automatically doing away with it.

#### UNIFORM TAX

Milliken's reform plan calls for abolition of both the board and Polley's job. He also proposed a uniform, state-collected property tax and had an increase in the present 2.6 per cent state personal income tax.

The income tax, however, should remain at a fixed or flat rate, Milliken has said.

The two Democratic leaders, however, told Milliken in their letter:

"We do not consider sound the argument that state income taxes should be flat rate because the federal income tax is graduated."

A flat rate, they said, "places an unfair proportion of the tax burden upon low and middle income families" because "the so-called steep graduation in the federal tax is sometimes made meaningless by the exemption provisions."

Ryan said the graduated tax proposal would not have the weight of a House Democratic caucus position, but that "I do feel very strongly about it."

"If people understood it, I think they would support it," Ryan added.

#### RESIGNATION NOT ANSWER

The resignation of Polley, three years after his appointment as a compromise choice by board Democrats, "doesn't necessarily point to the governor's answer," Levin said.

"We have serious doubts whether it is wise to destroy an independent voice for education outside the Legislature and the governor's office."

The 1963 Constitutional Convention, Ryan said, "recognized the problem of an even-numbered Supreme Court, but then they created the same thing in the state board."

"Seven or nine members is something board members are thinking about," Ryan said.

In their letter to Milliken, Ryan and Levin asked it is wise for example, simply to transfer most of the authority to the governor's office?

"Will the state role in education be clearer and stronger by combining the spokesman for education with the spokesman for a multitude of other state interests and needs—that is, the governor."

Levin said he personally doesn't reject out of hand all of Milliken's proposals, including the sweeping elimination of the board.

"It's great beauty is that it's simple," Levin added.

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## Manhattan Trip Rekindles Hope

### Engineers Study Winter Sailing In Lakes

DETROIT (AP)—Dreams of year-around shipping on the Great Lakes have been rekindled by an giant ice-breaking tanker's crunching of a new year-around trade route through the Arctic Northwest Passage to bring oil from Alaska.

The U.S. Corps of Engineers currently is making a study on the economic feasibility of winter lake sailing. Its recommendations will go to Congress next December.

There is virtually no sailing on the Great Lakes or the St. Lawrence Seaway from December to April because of ice, winter storms and visibility problems.

#### LEAD-PIPE CINCH

But Stanley Haas, a vice president of Humble Oil Co. and its Manhattan project director, says: "The Great Lakes are a lead-pipe cinch. Really, they have the capability right now to navigate on a year-around basis. The technology is there if the economics make the situation desirable."

It is Humble's SS Manhattan which is cutting through the Northwest Passage.

"We have all the technology we need, more technology than we know what to do with," said Ernest Marshall of the U. S. Lakes Survey. "There's just no driving economic force."

Year-around sailing "would be easy with unlimited resources," said Philip McCallister, of the Corp of Engineers planning branch, "but we recognize the real constraints in private sector costs."

**NOT ADEQUATE**

Most of the ships which sail with ore, grain, coal and other goods in the Great Lakes aren't sufficiently powered to break the ice, even if their hulls were designed for it, which they are not. A Corp of Engineers survey of the 444 largest ships on the lakes showed that 300 were built before 1948 and with steel that becomes brittle in cold weather.

Of the 144 ships built after 1948 of more durable plate, only 33 are American.

Winter crews would require premium pay, and many on shore loading facilities would require extensive upgrading because they aren't built for winter operations.

Escanabas new ore dock is one of the few capable of operating efficiently in winter, and there have been rumors that a new 1,000-foot freighter to be put into operation next year by Bethlehem Steel Corp. might operate year-around on Lake Michigan between Escanaba and Burns Harbor, Ind.

But Bethlehem said it has no such plans for the immediate future, although the strength of the ship's bow and its power would make it an ice-breaker.



**JOINT EFFORT:** James Leonard left, the U.S. delegate, and his Soviet counterpart, Alexei Roshchin discuss in Geneva Tuesday the draft treaty they presented to the 25-nation disarmament conference. The treaty bans nuclear arms and other weapons of mass destruction from the sea bed. (AP Wirephoto)

## Under-Sea Arms Treaty Is Drafted

### U.S., Soviets Present Ban Proposal At Geneva

GENEVA (AP)—The United States and the Soviet Union presented today a draft treaty to ban nuclear arms and other weapons of mass destruction from the sea bed.

The two superpowers agreed on a compromise joint draft after seven months of bargaining and submitted it to the 25-nation disarmament conference.

The draft of the treaty which the Soviet Union put before the conference on March 18 called for a ban on all types of weapons and military installations from the sea bed. The United States refused to accept this because it would ban such defensive devices as submarine tracking stations.

#### RUSSIANS GIVE IN

The Russians gave way on this point and accepted the provision of a draft submitted by the United States May 22 in which the ban would be restricted to nuclear arms and weapons

of mass destruction.

In return, the United States dropped its proposal that the ban come into force at the three-mile limit and accepted the Soviet 12-mile limit. This was favored also by most other delegations at the conference.

The United States also agreed to a Soviet paragraph in the preamble saying the two nations are "convinced that this treaty constitutes a step towards the exclusion of the sea bed, the ocean floor and the subsoil thereof from the arms race, and (are) determined to continue negotiations concerning further measures leading to this end."

The treaty would come into force after ratification by the United States, the Soviet Union and 20 other nations.

## State School Board Controversy Boiling

### In-Fighting Stymies Action

By JACQUELINE KORONA

LANSING (AP) — Does the Michigan Board of Education, as an elected body of laymen, keep control of the state's education policies in the hands of the people, beyond the grasp of professional bureaucrats?

Or is the board a politically-oriented body, ineffective in setting policy for the billion-dollar education system of the state?

These questions point up the boiling controversy which prompted Gov. William Milliken to recommend abolition of the board and led the state superintendent of public instruction to quit his job.

#### SUPERINTENDENT QUILTS

Dr. Ira Polley, who faced increasing prospects of being thrown out of office by the board, resigned suddenly Monday, charging board members with failure to carry out their own duties.

"The constitutional mandate to the board is that it shall exercise leadership and general supervision over all public education," Polley said.

That, he said, the board has not done.

Board president Peter Oppewall blasted back, reeling off a list of board accomplishments in past years.

He cited the state's new teacher certification code, an educational television feasibility study, a state plan for higher education, the founding of two new colleges (Lake Superior State and Saginaw Valley State) and several community colleges and a study of the treatment of minorities in American history textbooks—a study some believed to be a first in the nation.

"How much time do you have?" Oppewall asked. "I could go on and on."

Board critics maintain, however, that personality conflicts and lack of specific direction in the constitution have at least occasionally stymied the eight-member board.

"The board works hard," said one source close to Michigan education. "But when you go to a meeting you get the feeling they think they are running the state's education system. Then you find out their influence extends only to the meeting room door."

The mammoth Michigan Education Association, which opposed Polley's appointment in 1966, said the superintendent could not be blamed for "failure of the state board of education to operate as efficiently and effectively as originally hoped for just five years ago."

"It is most unfortunate for the schools of Michigan that a man of Dr. Polley's ability and courage must be sacrificed to those who put their own interests and ambitions ahead of the public's need for sound educational policy and planning."

One MEA official pointed to

the most recent board controversy—sex education.

#### THREE-RING CIRCUS

"The board never had an opportunity to look intelligently at any proposals (for sex education guidelines). There's been nothing but a three-ring circus since the question came up."

MEA sources cited board member James F. O'Neil, who repeatedly called for Polley's ouster and criticized sex education plans, as one cause of board problems. But, they added, O'Neil was not alone.

"There are some on the board

## Producers Manager Quits Post

### Forburger Joins Accounting Firm

Dean Forburger, 52, general manager at Producers Creamery in Benton township for the past 23 years, has resigned effective Nov. 1 to become associated with Tri-County Bookkeepers of 1259 East Napier avenue, Benton Harbor.

Producers' owners, the Berrien County Milk Producers association, have taken no official action yet on a replacement.

Forburger, a Producer employee the past 15 years, replaced Harold Van Kampen as general manager in 1967 and during the previous 12 years was ice cream supervisor.

Tri-County Bookkeepers is about 15 years old, has a staff of 13 and does accounting for small businesses in Berrien, Cass and Van Buren.

Forburger and his wife, Dorothy, live at 981 Columbus avenue, Benton Harbor. They have two children, Dean Charles Forburger, a law school student at George Washington university in Washington, D.C., and Mrs. Gay Garcia, a housewife in Syracuse, N.Y., and recent University of Michigan graduate.



DEAN FORBURGER

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## Linkletter's Plea: Parents, Give Children The Facts

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Art Linkletter says parents should learn the truth about drugs, alcohol and narcotics—"and get this information to their children in a memorable, sensible, nonpanic way. Repetitively."

Today, in private, graveside services at Forest Lawn Memorial Park, the Linkletter family buries daughter Diane, 20, whose death plunge Saturday he

blames on LSD—"a tiger in her bloodstream."

From the fifth grade up, the entertainer says, children "should be grounded as thoroughly in the dangers of putting chemicals into your system as they are in walking across a superhighway with their eyes shut."

#### ALREADY LECTURER

The television star and businessman, already a lecturer to

college and other groups on "the permissiveness of this society," said:

"I intend now to step that up and give it more more point. I think my daughter's death is going to be paid for many, many times by the kinds of things I can say and get done, using this as an example."

Diane, youngest of five Linkletter children, plunged from the kitchen window of a sixth-

floor apartment where she had lived about eight months. By phone, from seclusion with his wife Lois and son Robert, 24, in their Lake Tahoe cabin, Linkletter said:

"Since this has happened to Diane, you cannot imagine the number of people who have called, wired, written me—important people, well known, who have daughters in sanitariums, sons in sanitariums, children

who have killed themselves. They have hushed this up as a terrible family secret.

"All of a sudden they're coming out and telling me..." his voice choked and halted.

"They'll join me—"

In publicizing these evils? "Yes," he said. "Many are lawyers, bankers, so-called community pillars of decency... journalists." He knows none personally.

Linkletter, 57, said he doesn't have all the answers, but "I've been as good a parent as I could possibly be. I think we've been a very close family. We've done everything you do according to the book—taken vacations together, gone on pack trips together, traveled extensively all over the world."

"We've been a good Christian family. My wife and I have tried to set a good example by

being a good example.

"We have tried to keep our children up to date on what the dangerous things are, but perhaps we did not bear down as hard as we should have."

"Diane, of all the children, was always the most daring. She was the most emotionally up and down. She was either on top of the mountain or in the valley of despair—over trivial things."

"She was the one who would dare to sneak out at night, and be willing to accept the punishment for it. If she came in late, then she was supposed to come in, as she did frequently. She got a tongue lashing and took it in good spirits."

"She used to be spanked. When a child knows why he's being punished, not in anger or

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# THE HERALD-PRESS

## Editorial Page

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# Almost 2,000 Years And Still In Business

With one less, the Roman Catholic church has outlived dozens of empires and lasted almost 2,000 years. Now the idea of papal supremacy is under fire, so much so that Pope Paul VI felt compelled Monday to reassert the pope's absolute authority.

Paul made a statement rejecting the concept of some Catholic bishops and theologians that he, as pope, does not have the exclusive right to rule the whole church.

"The authority and security of our magisterium," Paul said, derive from Christ Himself. They are essential for the government, stability, peace and unity of God's church. He who refuses it (the magisterium) or attacks it assaults the one true church . . ."

The 72-year-old pontiff spoke to 30 theologians convened in Rome as an advisory commission. The advisory commission is on hand in advance of a synod which will bring together 146

cardinals of the Curia and bishops in Rome starting next Saturday. It's the second synod called by Pope Paul in two years.

Ever since the publication of the papal encyclical on birth control last year, the Vatican has been facing a latent crisis of authority. Now, to help him in the government of the church, Paul has called together his bishops to discuss the primacy of papal authority.

However, the agenda of the synod avoids any mention of such controversial issues as birth control or celibacy of the clergy. In fact, such discussions have been specifically ruled out at papal direction. And, Paul's statement of Monday indicates with finality that he didn't call the synod to preside at the dissolution of papal supremacy.

His reassertion of the doctrine can be expected to add to simmering rebellion among the Catholic clergy. Even before Monday's statement, the pope's call for the conference had aroused controversy. Roman Catholic priests from eight European countries announced they would press for a "free church and a free pope" at a counter-synod to assemble in Rome concurrently with the meeting of the bishops. The priests want to press for a decentralization of the church in accordance with their interpretation of the conclusions of the Second Vatican Council.

Pope Paul has repeatedly criticized the "unruliness and unfaithfulness" of "certain . . . ministers" of the church. At least one prince of the church, Leo Josef Cardinal Suenens of Belgium, has directly attacked the doctrine of papal supremacy. Suenens suggests that full and free public consultation is needed from the pope right down to the laity when important decisions are to be made and encyclicals issued.

"To overcome the credibility gap," the Belgian cardinal recommended a "liberation at the summit" — an obvious reference to the papacy.

Because the Catholic church includes so large a portion of the population of the Western World, its organization and policies cannot help but have a profound effect on the entire world — Catholic or non-Catholic. That's why, although Catholics have the exclusive right to make decisions affecting their church, there is so much public interest in what happens.

Despite the seeming logic of arguments for birth control, democratization and an end to priestly celibacy, there remains a serious question whether the Roman Catholic church can survive the centuries as a robust institution without fairly automatic rule. Pope Paul VI quite obviously does not think so, and certainly has considerable support for his view among both Catholic clergy and laity.

On the other hand, the alternative to some accommodation with the growing liberal wing of the church may well be a shattering schism, and the gravest crisis for the Vatican since the Reformation.

## Hot Dog On A Diet

Earlier in the year Agriculture Secretary Hardin became embroiled in the controversy over the contents of frankfurters. In an effort to set some standards for this peculiarly American delicacy, Hardin decreed a limit of 33 percent fat in the frankfurter.

Mrs. Virginia Knauer, the spunky presidential aide for consumer affairs, called for a kitchen conference, saying she didn't think the hot dog should contain more than 30 percent fat. After all, she said, fat isn't all that good for people and anyway housewives shouldn't be obliged to pay protein prices for more fat than was necessary.

After thinking it over for several months, Hardin has accepted the 30 percent content as the new federal maximum, thereby acknowledging he may not know his hot dogs as well as Mrs. Knauer does, but he fully understands the futility of arguing with a determined woman.

## 'Suh, It's Very Unbecoming For A Gentleman!'



## GLANCING BACKWARDS

### NIXON HOLDS ON TO BIG LEAD IN POLLS

—1 Year Ago—  
Republican candidate Richard M. Nixon — showing a commanding lead in the three-way presidential race in two new surveys — says people and not vast new government programs are the answer to city and poverty ills.

### HEART KILLS MARIO LANZA

—10 Years Ago—  
American Tenor Mario Lanza died today in a Rome hospital. Lanza had been in the hospital for about a week, reportedly for treatment of a minor illness. A friend said he suffered a heart attack shortly after noon.

### RUTH RAMSEY

## Today's Grab Bag

#### THE ANSWER QUICK!

- How many voyages did Sinbad the Sailor go on?
- Who was "Silence" in literature?
- Who was Mack Sennett?
- Who was Camille Saint-Saens?
- Who wrote "Remembrance of Things Past"?

#### YOUR FUTURE

Caution must be enjoined to celebrants of this anniversary. Today's child will be of fine, honorable character.

#### BORN TODAY

"The poet of the common people," James Whitcomb Riley, was born of pioneer stock in Greenfield, Ind., in 1849.

After a happy boyhood, which he recorded in his poems, he spent several years as an itinerant sign painter, entertainer and assistant to patent medicine vendors, all valuable experience for him because he found time to compose songs and dramatic skits, gain skill as an actor and come into contact with the rural residents of Indiana.

His first reputation came through his poems in state newspapers. "The Old Swimmin' Hole" and "Leven More Poems" were popular for their sentimental qualities and quiet charm.

For a short time Riley was local editor of the Anderson, Ind., "Democrat," but his later life was spent in Indianapolis.

His verse — the best of it — had a singing quality. Of his numerous volumes, among the most outstanding were "The Bess Girl," "Pines of Pan at Zanesburg," "Old Fashioned Roses," "The Flying Island of the Night," "A Child-World," and "Home Folks."

Because of reprints under varying titles, one of his collected editions, "Poems and Prose Sketches" is more representative of his works. Other collected works include "The Lockerbie" Book, "The Hoosier Book," and his "Complete Works" published in 10 volumes in 1916.

Riley had an ear for the local Hoosier speech and is remembered for his dialect poems, among them "Little Orphant Annie," "The Raggedy Man" and the frequently quoted

### IHT SIEGFRIED LINE IN NEW SECTOR

—25 Years Ago—  
The U.S. First Army slugged away with both fists above Aachen today, jabbing German stop-gap tanks and infantry back half a mile from Beggen-dorf and a mile and a half southeast of Ubach. The doughboys also pounded nearly a mile through the Hertgen Forest ten miles into Germany a third of the way to Cologne.

### ELECT OFFICERS

—25 Years Ago—  
Julius H. Reinking, cashier of the People's State Bank has been elected president of the St. Joseph Chamber of Commerce. The new directors who took office were Loren Berry, Paul

Taylor, W.E. Hach, Eli Longpre, W. W. Carver and Rex V. Wynkoop. Hatch, head of the St. Joseph Iron Works, is vice president. Reinking succeeds Harvey L. Geddes to the presidency.

### GOES TO SCHOOL

—25 Years Ago—  
Raymond Swigert of Court street has gone to Houghton to resume his studies at the Michigan College of Mines.

### CALLS IN HELP

—55 Years Ago—  
Coach W. W. Berry has called in Ray W. Davis, former Michigan athlete, and Chester McGrath, ex-Notre Dame gridder, to help get the St. Joseph high school team in shape for the approaching game with Grand Rapids Union.

### FARMERS CROPS

Farmers report that they did not have over half a crop of corn this season.

### WILLIAM RITT

## You're Telling Me!

An Illinois candidate for a U.S. congressional post has been previously defeated in 24 various elections. Some folk think jogging is great exercise — this fellow apparently prefers to run.

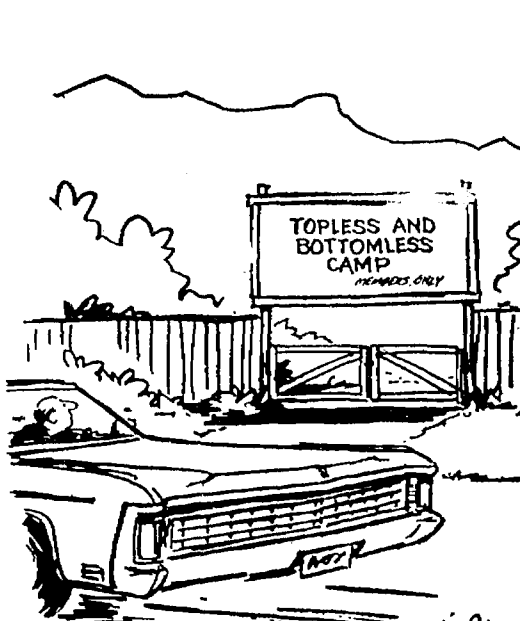
The British red hunting is the most amorous of birds, according to a zoologist. What's this? — a love bird using an alias?

Statistics show the U.S. uses an average of 150 gallons of water per person per day. No wonder this nation makes such a big splash!

In an effort to avoid being sent to school, a Leeds, England, five-year-old doused his hair with silver dye. Maybe the kid figured he could also collect Social Security, too!

"Set a good example," a famous philosopher once wrote, "and the rest will surely follow." Tain't so! October always does — but, boy, November and December certainly don't!

## BERRY'S WORLD



## DR. COLEMAN

# .. And Speaking Of Your Health

I was speaking in a university town. After the lecture a man came to me and said, "Thank you for having saved the lives of my four children." He went on to tell me that his children were saved because I had urged the need for fire drills in the home.

Recently he wrote to tell me that he was giving a course in fire prevention that brought him limitless pleasure, and that his teachings had already been responsible for saving other lives in his community.

In a world filled with such great medical and surgical advances, a single life that is spared becomes a news item of great importance. It is a paradox, therefore, that there still is such wanton waste of lives by preventable fires.

Children today are protected against the crippling devastation of polio, diphtheria, tetanus, and a host of other diseases. Yet young lives are sacrificed by carelessness and disregard for the death-dealing fire hazards that exist in our own homes.

Vast amounts of money are spent for hospitals, medicines, and physicians in an effort to restore the health of a single member of the family. However, these same families rarely can be induced to look for fire risks that surround them in the so-called safety of their homes.

National and local fire agencies and extensive educational campaigns aim at the senseless waste of lives by "preventable" fires.

The Institute of Home Fire Safety suggests:

- Keep matches in metal containers out of reach of children. Use safety matches and check them for their afterglow. Get into the habit of

breaking or tearing a match before throwing it away, to be sure that the fire is completely out.

2. Rid the home of inflammable gasolines, kerosenes and fuel oils unless kept in approved safety cans. Remember that flammable and inflammable mean the same thing, namely that products will burn.

3. All electrical appliances and wiring must meet the rigid rules of the Underwriters Laboratory. Only qualified electricians should install new circuits in the home to avoid overloading.

4. Frayed, cracked cords with exposed wires must be replaced to prevent short circuits and sudden fires.

5. Smoking in bed is a leading cause of death by fire. It involves other people who do not deserve to pay the penalty for such carelessness. No one ever expects to fall asleep with a burning cigarette, but they do.

6. Fabrics may ignite when they are in contact with lamp bulbs. They can be flameproofed and kept away from the light.

These are only a few of the dangers that can be uncovered if the whole family makes an hour's game of seeking fire hazards in the home. It is astonishing how many danger spots will come up in every room of the house. A yearly fire drill can teach every member of the family exactly what his safety job is if ever a fire does break out. This is a significant family gift of health.

**SPEAKING OF YOUR HEALTH:** Fever is a normal reaction of the body. It alerts one to the need for medical examination.

Dr. Coleman welcomes letters from readers, and, while he cannot undertake to answer each one, he will use questions in his column whenever possible and when they are of general interest. Address your letters to Dr. Coleman in care of this newspaper.

## JAY BECKER

# Contract Bridge

South dealer;  
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH			
♠ J4			
♥ QJ108			
♦ KJ86			
♣ 762			
WEST			
♠ KQ10852			
♥ 6			
♦ 93			
♣ A1064			
EAST			
♠ 9763			
♥ 82			
♦ Q1074			
♣ QJ8			
SOUTH			
♠ A			
♥ AK9764			
♦ A52			
♣ K93			

The bidding:  
South West North East  
1♥ 1♠ 2♥ Pass

Opening lead — king of spades.

Let's say you're declarer at four hearts and West leads the king of spades. It would seem natural to win the spade, draw trumps, and finesse the jack of diamonds.

If the finesse succeeded you would have ten tricks, but if it lost you could be in trouble and go down if East shifted to the queen of clubs.

However, this would be the wrong way to play the hand. There is a much safer method of play, and, in fact, it is sure

to bring home the marbles regardless of how the cards are divided.

You should win the spade lead with the ace, draw trumps, and cash the A-K of diamonds, deliberately avoiding the finesse. You then play the jack of spades from dummy, but instead of ruffing it, you discard the five of diamonds.

West finds himself on lead but is helpless. He cannot afford a spade continuation, which would give you a ruff and discard, so he is bound to lead a diamond or a club.

He cannot lead a diamond (even if he has one) without establishing a diamond for you in dummy, and he likewise cannot lead a club without making your king a trick. So, whatever the nature of this hand, West is bound to give you the contract once you adopt this method of play.

Situations like this are by no means uncommon. Before pinning your hopes on the favorable location of a particular card (such as the queen of diamonds or ace of clubs in the present case), you should look for a method of play that either reduces or completely eliminates the element of luck. Whenever possible, you leave nothing to chance.

## BENNET CERF

# Try And Stop Me

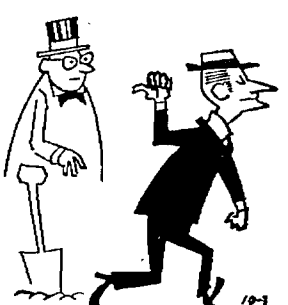
Cal Coolidge, one of the most underrated wits in political annals, one day was called upon for the usual imbecilic chore of scratching out the first shovelful of dirt for a new post office project. He did so grudgingly and was about to make a beeline for his limousine when an aide reminded him he had been expected to say a few words, Coolidge scowled at his audience, observed, "You've got some nice fishworms in this ground," and departed.

A lady who simply could not resist nibbling fruit, candy, and nuts between meals finally got so fat that a desperate remedy seemed called for. She elected to paste inside her refrigerator door a cut-out of a slender, perfectly built, unclad nymph.

The reminder worked like a charm. In one month she lost eleven pounds. Unfortunately, during the same period, her husband peered inside the refrigerator so often, HE gained twelve.

**QUICKIES:**  
Jerry Lewis calls attention to the fact that National Penguin week is coming up. Anyone who's never met a penguin yet should take a tuxedo to lunch.

Angry wife analyzing her husband's income tax return: "What do you mean by claim-



ing my beauty treatments as a deductible loss?"

## Factographs

Minnesota is noted for its fishing and hunting and many well-known resort regions along its 14,000 lakes.

More than 45 million persons attended the New York World's Fair in 1939.

Ducks, geese and hens were man's domestic companions long before the dawn of written history.

Author of the British national anthem was Dr. Henry Carey, who was born in London.

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Twin City  
News

## HAPPINESS IS NOT A BREAKWALL EXTENSION

### Boat Ramp Proposed In SJ Twp.

#### Motor-Driven Bikes Getting To Be Problem

St. Joseph township has applied for state funds to help develop a \$57,000 boat launching ramp at Carrondo park, Arthur E. Benford, park board chairman, told the board of trustees last night.

Benford said the application has been filed with the Water Resources Commission for additional boat launching facilities which he said are needed in the area.

The proposed improvement would include a \$12,000 boat ramp, 48 feet wide and 60 feet long; a \$30,000 parking area for 53 cars and boat trailers; and a \$15,000 rest room.

Carrondo park lies on the St. Joseph river in Fairplain just across from Riverview park.

#### BIKE LAWS PLANNED

Supervisor Orval L. Benson said the township will shortly consider legislation that will considerably restrict operation of motorcycles and mini bikes.

He spoke after Mrs. James Trowbridge, 301 Jakway, Fairplain, said youngsters had carved out a race track on a lot on Benjamin street. She said the noise and dust was excessive and that preschoolers on the dead-end street were in danger of being hit.

Neighbors of Mrs. Trowbridge wanted the township to act but both Benson and Township Attorney John Crow said the township has no specific ordinances prohibiting motor driven cycles in some areas. The group was urged to call a lawyer and pursue it as a civil case.

#### WATER FOR FIRES

Trustee Robert DeVries announced the township has ordered City of St. Joseph water service for fire station No. 1 at Hilltop road and Washington avenue, St. Joseph. The well at the station is threatened by sand.

Atty. Crow said a sewer contract being drafted between the township and the City is nearly finished. There will be a full-scale review Oct. 20, the next date for the township to meet. The contract provides for sewer service for Lincoln and part of St. Joseph township.

The terms of Charles Tibbels, Meinert Schroeder and Donald G. Ward on the planning commission expire Nov. 6, it was announced.

### St. Joseph Appealing Decision

St. Joseph township Attorney John Crow and Supervisor Orval L. Benson will argue before the Michigan Court of Appeals in Grand Rapids today that a subdivision plot is a park and a legal barrier to the penetrator from I-94 through the township.

The township is appealing a circuit court decision that a 400 by 175-foot knoll in Kerley's acres off Trail Lane is public property. The formal appeal was made over a year ago. The Highway Department contends it is only a subdivision plot area and offered subdivision residents \$25 each for quit claim deeds.

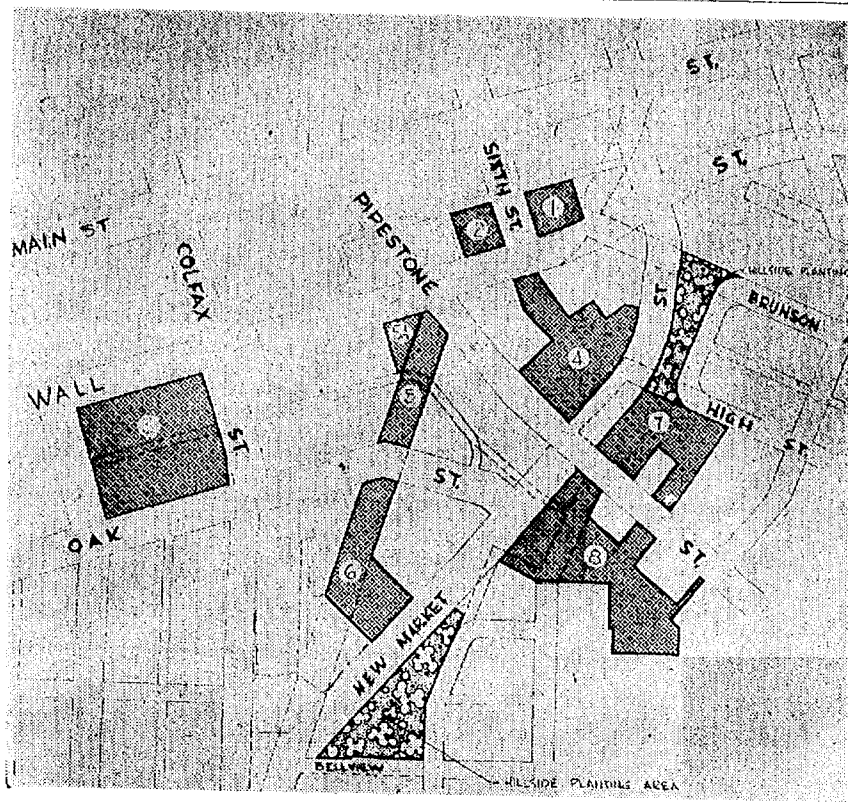
Atty. Henry Gleiss of Benton Harbor is representing the state highway department.

Opposition by the township has stalled construction of the penetrator for the past five years.

### Lake Twp. Is Getting Road Lights

BRIDGMAN — Lake township board members reported last night that street lights are being installed at road intersections throughout the township by Indiana & Michigan Electric company.

Building inspector Herbert Trapp also presented six building permits totaling \$8,084 to the board. Bills totaling \$2,830 were approved for payment by the board.



**FINANCING PROBLEM:** Development of these numbered parking lots in Benton Harbor's urban renewal district poses a financing problem. Original plan called for parking meter revenue to finance project, but meters were removed from streets. Bond issue would be jeopardized by interest rates and threat to tax municipal bonds. Some of the numbered lots would be completely new parking areas. Others are expansion and improvement of existing lots.

## Financing Holds Up BH Parking Lots

Revised plans for developing eight downtown Benton Harbor auto parking lots at a cost of \$300-\$350,000 were presented last night to the city commission.

City Manager Don C. Stewart said the estimated cost was the lowest developed yet for the urban renewal required project. But he said a financing method had not yet been determined.

The city is to pay the entire cost of the plan as part of its 25 per cent commitment to the \$6 million renewal program. Originally proceeds from parking meter revenues were to be used to underwrite the financing. Meters were removed by the commission in 1966, however.

Stewart, in his budget messages, has proposed \$37,000 a year from the public improvement fund be earmarked to pay off a bond issue for the parking project. But he said last night that bond market conditions virtually make this method an impossibility now.

#### STUDIES HURT

According to Stewart, studies by Congress over whether the tax-exempt status of municipal bonds should be continued as well as the interest rate squeeze have caused a no-sale condition for bonds.

At some time, said Stewart, the federal government will be interested in the status of this program in view of its commitment.

Stewart said the plan was presented to the commission so it could determine if the designer should proceed with detailed drawings. Under the package, an estimated 600 additional spaces would be added to the capacity in or near the downtown area.

The revised plans include expansions and redesigning of existing lots plus creation of two new ones and the conversion of a previously private lot to public use.

According to Stewart, the revised plans were the third developed by Bartholomew and Associates. The first set, he said, would have cost about \$600,000.

An initial cost appraisal had involved \$400,000.

Stewart said land purchases under the revised package would cost about \$100,000 while development would take \$204,000. Incidental costs could add another \$50,000.

New lots would be at Wall and Sixth (old library site) and at Colfax and Eighth streets. Some 217 spaces would be provided in the Colfax and Eighth street lot. In all, 25 spaces would be created in the old library site, but six would be reserved for library employees.

To be converted to public use and expanded would be what is

known as the Elks parking lot. Some 71 spaces in all would be provided.

**81 SPACES**  
Michigan avenue, to be closed from Oak to Colfax, would provide 81 spaces instead of the present on-street parking.

Other lots with spaces in parenthesis would be the Bell lot (29); the city hall lot (93); the Pleasant street lot (98); and Michigan avenue, Pipestone to Oak.

In other matters taken under study, the commission received plans from the urban renewal department to get the property between three landowners on Michigan and the new Market street into their possession.

The owners have agreed to deed their rights, if any, to a vacant Michigan avenue if the city deeds to them land reaching to the proposed new Market.

The owners are Maurice G. Esther E., Donald and Joan Humphrey of Humphrey Insurance agency; Malcolm Ross of Ross United Incorporated; and D.J. Haynes of the Twin Cities Glass company.

Under the proposed agreements, the city would receive \$115.20 from the Humphreys; \$1,236.80 from Ross; and \$2,383 from the glass company for land required to complete the agreements.

#### ZONING CHANGES

Also received were the planned zoning changes on two parcels of land and the vacation of Michigan avenue and an alley involved in a sales agreement with the Palladium Publishing company. The changes have been recommended by the Planning commission, Leslie Cripps, director of the urban development department, said.

An option to buy from Mildred Goldbaum the Goldbaum grocery store and a parking lot for \$23,350 also was presented. The land is needed for Palladium's proposed expansion program.

Approved was a request by the Main street Seventh-day Adventist church for ingathering campaigns Oct. 8-Nov. 17 and Dec. 21-28.

A five-year lease with the General Auto Sales on a piece of property now used by the firm for auto parking at a \$100 a month rent to the city was approved as was a contract with the Benton Harbor Abstract and Title company to check over property boundaries involved in code enforcement and a lease to rent a house from William Kuschel realty company at \$150 a month for use by persons displaced by code enforcement programs. The property had been rejected as a possible rental last week when the rent sought was \$175 a month.

### Owner Not Satisfied By Change

#### Washouts Likely, Lake Shore Drive Woman Complains

By TOM BRUNDRETT  
Staff Writer

Extension of a proposed breakwall being designed to keep part of Lake Shore drive south of St. Joseph from sliding into Lake Michigan has not erased all complaints from property owners there.

Mrs. George Krasl, Jr., 3512 Lake Shore drive, said the extension will put her property under the threat of a washout.

She said her husband would be checking into the Michigan State highway department's latest plan to see what could be worked out.

The Krasls were among five property owners who had objected to the department's initial plan which had scheduled the project to end some 1,564 feet north of the Krasl property.

After the objections were forwarded to Gov. William Milliken and the state highway department the proposed project was extended 1,564 feet south. It is now scheduled to run from the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad company property to Hawthorne avenue. It is to end at the edge of the Krasl lake frontage.

Clayton Voss, district engineer for the department with offices in Kalamazoo, said the present plan is to tie the end of the project into the Krasl's private program to protect their bank. The Krasls have spent more than \$6,000 in acquiring the rubble from Berrien county's old courthouse and other articles to help shore up the eroding bluff.

The bluff has been hard hit this year because of high water and heavy currents. In the past, houses have been lost or moved to firmer ground as the bank crumbled.

The state highway department has proposed the \$1.9 million breakwall plan to protect the bluff near the highway and keep the road open. In one section, the bluff's edge is within an estimated 6-10 feet of the roadway.

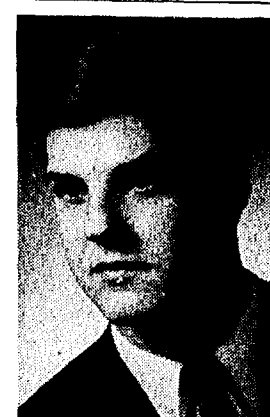
Under the state plan, a 10-foot wide wall would be built 50 feet from shore with a series of tiebacks running from the wall to the bank.

Voss has said that the highway department's responsibility is to keep the road from being affected. Once this obligation has been met, Voss said the highway department would need further justification for again expanding the program.

Mrs. Krasl said she believed the properties south of her property would definitely be affected by the state's new plan. She believed that the wash created by the wall would affect the properties near the end just as washouts had in other places.



GREG HARDEKE



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## Klock Guards Saved 11 Lives

### Efficiency Of '69 Staff Draws Praise

Eleven persons were saved from drowning by Jean Klock life guards during the summer, according to a report by Richard L. Kurth, beach manager.

Kurth said Jean Klock attained "the ultimate goal of any public beach — that of having no drownings or fatal accidents during operational hours." He credited the record to efficiency of employees and called the staff the "most productive" in many years.

Along with 11 major saves, the life guards made numerous "fish outs," usually one or two a day during the season which ended Sept. 14.

#### AIDED 7 SAVES

Life guard Greg Hardke participated in seven of the saves and his twin brother, Gary, was in on two after joining the staff in mid-July. They are sons of Mr. and Mrs. L.J. Hardke, 666 Lynwood drive, Fairplain. They

are the first twins to win Whirlpool Corporate group scholarships and are juniors at Michigan State.

Other life guards and the number of saves in which they participated: Pete Scherer four, Roger Allen three, Pete Black, Pete Brown and Jim Caldwell two each.

Seven of the persons saved were from out of state, one from Benton Harbor, one from Bridgman, and the home addresses of two others were unknown.

City Manager Don Stewart said the beach record was due in part to recruiting qualified persons by the city personnel department.

#### FOR TWO MONTHS

## BH Sears Store Will Be Open On Sundays

The Benton Harbor Sears, Roebuck and Company store is one of several stores across the nation that will open on Sunday during November and December.

Manager Jack Small said Sunday hours are tentatively set for 1 p.m. to 6 p.m., beginning Nov. 2. The current weekday hours will be continued.

"For a number of years," Small said, "Sears stores have remained closed despite a growing trend among other retailers to open on Sunday." He added that "many of our customers have indicated a desire to be able to shop at Sears on Sunday."

Small said the decision would be made later whether Sunday openings would last beyond December.

## Current Model Cities Grants Won't Be Cut

Officials of Model Cities programs in Benton Harbor and elsewhere were assured by the federal government that an announced \$215 million cut in this year's fund will not jeopardize current programs.

Mayor Wilbert F. Smith said he received a telegram from Warren Butler, special assistant in the federal Housing and Urban Development (HUD) department, in Washington, D.C., which said the reduction was only in uncommitted funds.

The announced \$215 million cut touched off a flurry of speculation that a program entering the development stage would be toned down or postponed. Benton Harbor—Benton township's program is in the planning stage and already has been awarded a \$93,000 grant to carry out the \$117,000 initial phase.

The telegram said: "Please be assured that the scope of the Model Cities program will be maintained at its anticipated level for the current year. Press reports of a cutback in Model Cities activities are misleading."

"Our estimates of likely cash outlays by all Model Cities in fiscal year 1970 have been revised downward on the basis of present experience with local programs already approved."

"This does not represent a cutback in the program. It does not affect appropriations and commitments. Delays in local program start-ups indicate that cities will not be requiring cash disbursements as fast as originally forecasted. Your Model Cities program will continue to receive every consideration for funding provided an acceptable plan is submitted."

Hospital officials said the knife pierced the heart and the pericardium—a fibrous sac surrounding the heart—had to be opened because of blood inside. Several stitches were used to repair the atrium, the upper left chamber of the heart.

A knife with a 4½-inch blade was used, police said.

### Resident Lauds SJ Commission

#### Complaints About Debris On Lot Bring Fast Action

In August, Don Briney, 2718 Sunnydale drive, St. Joseph, and several neighbors appealed to commissioners to clean up city-owned property on their street. Last night he returned to thank them for "a real bang-up job."

Briney said that in response to the complaints, debris was removed and weeds pulled on the two lots, one fronting on Sunnydale, the other on South State street. Briney said he wanted to compliment the commission and especially City Manager Leland Hill for the way the lot now looks.

In appearing Aug. 25, residents of Sunnydale drive complained that the vacant lot was overgrown with weeds, that it had become a parking lot for heavy equipment vehicles and dumping ground for dirt.

Briney said he was prompted to return and thank the commissioners because all too often they hear only complaints, seldom gratitude. Mayor pro-tem C. A. Tobias said he hoped Briney would not be forced to complain about conditions at the lot again.

#### BUY THREE LOTS

In other business, the commission authorized a contract for a study leading to the replacement of the old Park street viaduct and purchased three Urban Renewal lots.

On the recommendation of City Manager Hill, commissioners authorized a contract of up to \$3,600 for a study of the deteriorating Park street viaduct, which crosses the railroad tracks just south of Lakefront park. The study will be conducted by Conser, Townsend and associates of Flint.

The action came after Hill presented a preliminary study of the structure conducted by G.W. Hepler, director of the public works department. In that report, Hepler concluded that the viaduct is "in very poor condition." He cited unequal settlement at the west abutment as "serious enough to cause concern" and guessed at extensive corrosion.

Acting on the strength of these findings, Hill said that, effective immediately, the viaduct would be limited to passenger cars only.

#### ABOUT AN ACRE

Commissioners approved the purchase of three lots in the Urban Renewal area at \$44,800. Extending along the river from Blossomland bridge to the railroad bridge, the L lots amount to just over one acre.

City Attorney Arthur G. Preston Jr. said that with this purchase the city's Urban Renewal program is 95 per cent complete. The only property in the Urban Renewal area not yet acquired, he said, is a half-block lot on Ship street.

Commissioners approved the purchase of three police cars from Roll Motors, Inc., of Benton Harbor. With trade-ins, the cars will cost \$5,298.30 in all. Higher bids were received from Ned Gates Chevrolet, Inc., Benton Harbor, at \$5,324.79 and Richard Ford, Inc., of St. Joseph, at \$5,919.

#### OTHER BUSINESS

The commission also:

Approved the request of Montgomery Ward and Company to park a touring semi van on the parking lot at Lake boulevard and Ship street for three days beginning Oct. 9. The van will be open to the public and have merchandise on sale.

Extended its summer contract with the John G. Yerington Construction Company to allow for the paving of St. Joseph drive from Thayer drive to Niles avenue.

Referred to the planning commission a request of St. Peter's United Church of Christ for a parking lot at 611 Church street, now a vacant lot.

Approved the request of the Civilian club for use Nov. 22, of a parking place in front of the St. Joseph Savings and Loan building for their annual fruit cake sale.

Agreed to the request of Truman Schrag, president of the Southwestern Michigan Hawks, for use of Kiwanis Park as a practice field Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of this week in preparation for Saturday's game.

Commissioner Warren Gast asked whether the team needs the practice and Schrag said he considered the question a "low blow." The local team has lost its last two games.

## SOUTH HAVEN PARKING METER VERDICT DUE

Coloma Mayor  
Left In DarkLearns About City Doings  
Only By Hearsay

COLOMA — Coloma Mayor Glenn Randall told the city commission last night that he feels like an outsider. He also said he doesn't like the feeling.



MAYOR GLENN RANDALL  
Feels like an 'outsider'

Commenting during a special meeting called to discuss rezoning for a proposed apartment, Randall said:

"If you (the commission) don't want to confide in me, I'll step down from this office. I'm approached by citizens on the street and by phone about things of which I have no knowledge. I have to admit I know nothing about it and I don't like it."

## EMPLOYMENT POLICY

Randall didn't resign and he didn't specify what things he was not kept informed about. However, the commission met with Randall in executive session to consider a policy of employment for street department employees. One part-time street employee, Michael Quigley, said he never knows when he will be working or laid off the job, because of lack of work or material shortages.

Commissioner Norman Carrothers said he understands that commission committees were to keep each other and the mayor informed of all problems they deal with. Commission Fred Munchow, Jr., said commissioners don't want to bother the mayor at his job all the time with city problems.

Randall responded that he would rather learn about problems from city officials involved than from anyone else.

The commission voted to schedule a public hearing for 8 p.m., Oct. 27, at city hall to consider plans for an apartment building on Ellendale drive. The request was made by Dr. John Kuester of Paw Paw lake, a Benton Harbor dentist, who needs the vacant land rezoned from residential to commercial to build the apartments. Dr. Kuester said the building would conform to area homes, contain no fewer than four, nor more than six living units and include landscaping. Contractor would be John Krugman of Watervliet.

In other business, Randall asked attorneys for the city to help transfer all of Ryno road, for one block between Church and West streets, from county to city control. The east end of Ryno road now is in the city and the city handles all improvement work on both ends, Randall noted.

Approved were plans to enlarge and remodel the City service station on Paw Paw and Washington, plans to install an apartment on the second floor of the Clements Box Co. on Logan street, and plans by the Congregational church to grade and gravel Leedy court, between Paw Paw and Church streets and develop a church parking lot in the area. Also approved was the extension of sewer and water lines to Clet's trailer court on Center street, just east of the city limits.

The commission at its regular meeting next Monday will accept historical plaques for the two parks from the Cloverleaf club.

Approved were bills totaling \$1,550.

House trailer permits were issued to Jerry Foster on 46th avenue, west of 80th street; William Fisher, on County Road 376, west of M-140; Jerry King, on 30th avenue, west of M-140; and Robert Tripp, on 34th avenue, east of 72nd street.

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TOUR REDEVELOPED CITIES: Eleven Benton Harbor city officials and merchants departed for a one-day tour of Kankakee and Peoria, Ill. today to see how these two cities have successfully conducted downtown redevelopment programs. The eleven were, left to right, Roger Curry, executive vice president of the Twin Cities Area Chamber of Commerce; Walter B. Laetz, president-elect of Chamber of Commerce; John E. Small, manager

of Sears Roebuck & Co.; Commissioner Virgil May; Ned Gates, president of Gates Chevrolet, Inc.; Commissioners Edward Merrill, Rex Sheeley and Charles Gray; City Manager Don Stewart; John P. Banyon, manager of Indiana & Michigan Electric Co.; and Richard E. Willard, executive vice president of Farmers & Merchants National Bank. (Staff photo)

## Library Site Rezoning Passes

## DOWAGIAC —

Councilmen here voted unanimously in favor of rezoning the site for the proposed new city library from residential to "public facility."

Last night was the first reading of the zoning ordinance amendment and a final vote will be taken on Oct. 20 before the council can proceed with the change. The ordinance would then be effective Nov. 20.

Objections to the rezoning were given at a special city council meeting last month when citizen's presented a petition that stated, in part, "We taxpayers petition to refuse rezoning for a library site which has been secretly selected by three persons." The city had created a building authority to construct the facility and rent it to the city until payment is complete. Members of the authority are Mrs. L. David Cosmick, Francis Hisecock and Keith Carmichael.

The cost of the new library has been estimated at between \$240,000 and \$274,000 and since the tax rate to retire the bond issue for the costs would not exceed one mill, the building authority can issue bonds without a vote of the people.

NEW LIBRARIAN — In other business the council introduced Mrs. R. V. (Klair) Bales, formerly with the Lav-ton library, as the city's new librarian. Mrs. Bales received her AB degree from Kalamazoo College and her masters in library science from Western Michigan university. She has two married sons and a daughter who is a sophomore at Michigan State university.

The council also approved recommendations from the city cemetery board to raise burial rates and spell out conditions for burial.

Burials will now be paid cash in advance, with adult grave sites costing \$75 and \$50 extra for the perpetual care period. Burial costs for an adult will be \$85, which includes the tent. Saturday burials will cost one and a half times more than the regular rate and Sunday burials will be double the cost.

Consideration of remodeling and new siding and roofing of the cemetery superintendent's house, on city owned property, led to the authorizing of a contract with William Koesis, Nubour street, for a cost of \$3,900. Emergency work on the roof will be done at once with the main portion of repairs being done next spring.

REVISION RECOMMENDED — The council's electric facilities board recommended that an appraisal revision be made of city property and equipment by E.C. Dayo and Associates, Portage, for a fee of \$235 plus any

additional charges. The council approved the recommendations. Group insurance for city employees was awarded to Great West Life Assurance Company, through Robert Brezen, local agent.

The council also accepted the resignation of Charles E. Taylor, vice president of the Community State Bank, from the special assessment committee.

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The board approved current bills totaling \$4,889 and reported receipts totaling \$75 for township hall rentals during September.

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Approved was an ordinance permitting the splitting of lots for sale purposes with the township reserving the right to regulate such lot divisions.

Township health officer Walter Kesterke was authorized to take action to remove abandoned vehicles, assisted by township police.

The board approved current bills totaling \$4,889 and reported receipts totaling \$75 for township hall rentals during September.

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## 'Let's Cure Problem', Says Mayor

Citizens Asked  
To Comment  
Upon Matter

SOUTH HAVEN — Mayor Richard Lewis Monday night called for a decision by the city council as to the necessity of having parking meters in downtown South Haven.

"They (the meters) were originally installed as a means of controlling the influx of summer traffic, but now they have turned into a year-around convenience," Lewis said.

"We've been taking aspirin for a number of years to ease the pain, now it's time to get down to business and cure the problem," he added in surveying the city's parking meter program.

Both the Retail Division of the South Haven Area Chamber of Commerce and the city Planning Commission have gone on record in the past to rid the downtown district of the meters.

## PARKING SPACE SHORT

The prime reason for no council action in the past has been a lack of adequate off-street parking near the downtown business district and the fear that persons employed in the area would park their vehicles in prime shoppers' spots the entire day.

Phoenix street, the main artery through the business district, presently has both parallel and angle parking spaces because of the off-street parking problems.

If the council, before making a decision, voted to seek updated opinions from the Chamber of Commerce, the Planning Commission and the police department. Interested citizens and businessmen were also invited to attend the Oct. 20 council meeting to express their opinions.

In other action the council set Oct. 16 for a meeting with the Planning Commission to discuss possible sites for the location of a new city hall and to consider the creation of a building authority to create the development.

The council authorized City Manager Albert Pierce to transfer the necessary additional funds from the Board of Public Works as required for final construction payments on the new \$380,000 municipal marina.

CITY LOAN — City treasurer Howard McDougall estimated that the additional BPW loan would total \$68,000. It would cover final costs of the marina, plus construction of the road around the marina which was not included in the awarded contract.

Pierce reported that the marina is 100 per cent completed and that an inspection by officials of the State Waterways Commission was expected this week. Revenue from the marina was \$3,358 during July, August and September.

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Vandalism  
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Increases Reward

COVERT — Faced with rising vandalism to Covert township property, the Covert township board last night voted to increase from \$50 to \$200 the rewards for information leading to the arrest and conviction of vandals.

Mrs. Vivian Flagg, township treasurer, said vandalism has increased in past months with the township hall, library and fire station being hit. Mrs. Flagg said most of the damage stems from broken windows.

CURFEW LAW — The board reported that it will take at least another 60 days for the township attorney to draft procedures for enforcing the state curfew law.

Attorney Sheldon Hubert of Paw Paw last month was authorized by the board to draft procedures of enforcement.

Named to the township election board for the South Haven hospital authority millage election Nov. 3 were Tony Sarno, F.B. Hoffacker, Mary A. Smith, Margaret White and Juanita Flagg.

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